

***City of Cambridge  
Special Meeting  
March 1, 2022  
7:00 p.m.***

A special meeting of the Cambridge City Council was held on March 1, 2022 at Cambridge City Hall. The purpose of this special meeting was to have a workshop and presentation on emergency preparedness and the Cascadia rising National Exercise.

Present were Mayor Mark Loveland, Council President Gene Neumann, Delray Platt, Nanette Rhodes, and Levi Harrison. Also present was City Clerk/Treasurer Sandra McKee, Public Works Superintendent Corey Morgan, Jerry Piper, Marilyn Loveland, and Dan Morris.

Mayor Loveland called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Loveland welcomed everyone to the meeting and Nan Rhodes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Workshop and Presentation on Emergency Preparedness and the Cascadia Rising Nation Exercise – City Clerk Sandra McKee had attended a Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting in Weiser where she is the LEPC Secretary and is a representative for Cambridge. The meeting was chaired by Tony Buthman the Washington County Emergency Manager. Sandra asked to have the meeting recorded since Mayor Loveland and PWS Corey Morgan were not able to attend. The meeting mainly concentrated on the Washington County participating in a National Exercise for Cascadia Rising. Washington County is having a tabletop exercise on this in March. The recording of this meeting was shown so all could understand what Cascadia Rising is and how the city needs to have an Emergency Preparedness and Operations Plan for this. Cambridge needs to know what resources are available and may need to have MOU’S (Mutual of Understanding) in place with places and organizations that may be used in a declared emergency. Tony would like to see the cities have a template for a Disaster Declaration ready for this as well.

Cascadia Rising is an expected 9.0 earthquake with a duration of up to 5 minutes with a following Tsunami that will reach 12 to over 100 ft off the coast of Oregon and Washington. Idaho and California have been asked to be support for this event especially for the refugees. This event will possibly cause power shortages or blackouts, supply chain disruptions, communications problems, etc. The main focus needs to be on food, water, and shelter lifeline.

The information presented from the meeting was very informative for the council. The council will put this item on the agenda for next month to try to have some things in place for the upcoming tabletop exercise for Washington County.

Nan Rhodes made a motion to adjourn and Levi Harrison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

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Sandra McKee, City Clerk

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Mark Loveland, Mayor